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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of

Furuya et al.

Application No.: 09/529,919

Filed: April 21, 2000

For: Magneto-Optical Recording Medium,

MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF AND MAGNETO-OPTICAL DATA RECORDING

AND PLAYBACK DEVICE

Group Art Unit: 1773

Examiner: Bernatz, Kevin M.

Confirmation No.: 2803

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In the Office Action dated December 18, 2003 the Examiner required restriction to one of the following under 35 U.S.C. 121:

Group I: Claims 1-12, drawn to a magneto-optical recording medium product; and

Group II: Claims 13 and 14, drawn to a method of making a magneto-optical recording medium product.

In response to the restriction requirement, the Applicant elects Group I. This election is made without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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| s | AMENDMENT/REPLY TE | RANSMITTAL LETTER | | | | |
| | nt Commissioner for Patents gton, D.C. 20231 | | | | | |
| Sir: | | | | | | |
| En | sclosed is a reply for the above-identified pat | ent application. | | | | |
| [] | A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed. | | | | | |
| [] | A Terminal Disclaimer and a check for [] \$55.00 (2814) [] \$110.00 (1814) to cover the requisite Government fee are also enclosed. | | | | | |
| [] | Also enclosed is | | | | | |
| [] | Small entity status is hereby claimed. | | | | | |
| [] | Applicant(s) request continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the [] \$375.00 (2801) [] \$750.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). | | | | | |
| | [] Applicant(s) previously submitted _ requested. | _, on, for which continued examination is | | | | |
| [] | exceed three months from the filing of th | Applicant(s) request suspension of action by the Office until at least _, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed. | | | | |
| [] | A Request for Entry and Consideration of | of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) | | | | |

[X] No additional claim fee is required.

[] An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below:

| AMENDED CLAIMS | | | | | | |
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| | No. OF CLAIMS | Highest No. Of Claims Previously Paid for | EXTRA CLAIMS | RATE | ADDT'L FEE | |
| Total Claims | | MINUS = | | × \$18.00 (1202) = | | |
| Independent Claims | | MINUS = | | × \$84.00 (1201) = | | |
| If Amendment adds m | ultiple depend | lent claims, add \$28 | 0.00 (1203) | | | |
| Total Amendment Fee | | | | | | |
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| L | j | A ciaim fee in the ai | mount of \$ | is enclosed. |
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| [|] | Charge \$ | to Deposit Account N | Io. 02-4800. |

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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